

## THE CITY OF PORTSMOUTH—NEWS AND ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE FRESHEST  
LOCAL MENTION.Matters Personal and General In  
And Around Portsmouth.

## HEARD ON THE STREETS.

Gossip and Events in Which our People are  
Interested, Chronicled in Concise Form—  
A Daily Diary of Happenings Presented to  
our Readers Fresh Every Morning—  
Snap Shots of our Busy City.

Mrs. J. S. Hutchins has returned from Mathews county, where she has been visiting friends. Her friends will be sorry to learn that Mrs. Hutchins returned suffering from illness, and that her condition is such as to cause her family some uneasiness.

Wm. Jackson, colored, committed to the city jail several days ago for a term of six months, charged with wife-beating. He was given a re-hearing, probably to-day, before Mayor Baird. This concession was granted Johnson's wife, who pleaded for his release yesterday in Police Court.

The cases of Joseph Hall, charged with attempted felony, and of D. Senator, charged with doing a merchant's business without a license, were continued in Police Court yesterday morning until to-day.

Smith Burfoot, colored, for breaking into a residence in North street, Park Place, and stealing a suit of clothes and a watch belonging to Richard Haskins, was tried before Justice A. H. Hawks yesterday and held for the grand jury.

The Mayor will probably grant William Jackson, charged with wife-beating, a new trial.

D. Senator, doing business without a license, and Joseph Hall, felony, had their cases continued by the Mayor.

Miss Katie B. O'Brien left last night for New York to spend some time with relatives in that city.

Rev. E. H. Rawlings, of Monumental M. E. Church, left last night for a two weeks' visit to New York State.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Kira left yesterday for the Blue Ridge Springs. Later on they will visit the mountains of New York.

Miss Ida Thomas has returned home after having visited friends and relatives in Baltimore, Md.

Miss Una Harrington, of Baltimore, Md., formerly of this city, is visiting Miss Beulah Moore, in South Portsmouth.

The Hook and Ladder Company will elect delegates to the Firemen's Association at their meeting next Monday night.

Four gentlemen went down to the Western Branch bridge Monday night and caught 65 fine trout.

Yesterday about 5 o'clock a negro woman walked the residents of County street up by screaming murder, &c. It was found that she was beastly drunk.

A small colored boy fell down a hatch hole of a schooner yesterday and hurt himself badly. The funeral of Miss Mabel Hawkins will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock from the Park View M. E. Church.

Now is the time to clean up your premises and put them in first-class condition in order that sickness will have nothing to feed on.

Mrs. Charles T. Friedlin has returned from a three weeks' stay in Mathews county.

Mr. Junius Persons, of Southampton county, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Alice Brady, of Petersburg, is in the city on a visit.

Mrs. W. E. Moran and her two daughters, Alma and Christine, of Richmond, are visiting the family of Mrs. Luke Thayer.

The Independent Fire Company will have a picnic excursion to Soldiers' Home the latter part of this month.

Mrs. M. P. Claud and children, are spending the month of August in the mountains. Mr. Claud will join them next week.

The family of J. A. Collins, who have been spending the summer at Ocean View, have returned home.

Mrs. Richard E. Ball, of West Minister, Md., and children, are the guests of her uncle, E. T. Trotman, No. 2021 North street.

A number of persons are suffering from the prickly heat, which annoys them very much.

Mr. A. H. Martin, Clerk of the Norfolk County Court, left with his family last evening for Mountain Lake, Va. Mr. Martin will be absent about a month.

The Rev. E. H. Rawlings, pastor of Monumental M. E. Church, has gone to Chautauqua Lake, N. Y., for his summer outing. Mr. J. F. Stubbs, superintendent of the Y. M. C. A., will conduct the mid-week services at Monumental to-night.

C. D. Benbow, general manager of the Pinehurst railway, a short road running from the Seaboard Air Line to Pinehurst Inn, N. C., was among the callers at the Seaboard general offices yesterday. Traveling Passenger Agent P. V. Peterson and W. B. Clements were also here.

A representative of the Rodger Ballast Car Company, of Chicago, called upon a number of Seaboard Air Line officials yesterday with a view of interesting them in the Rodger car, which is an invention for the rapid distribution of ballast on railways. It will be found that the Seaboard Air Line is probable in a number of these cars in order to handle the output of the big rock crusher being erected near Henderson.

Miss Pauline P. Levy, accompanied by Miss Tillie Pass, of New York, left last evening to visit Mrs. H. January in Suffolk.

The Alexander had a dock trial yesterday.

The Hawk went in the dry-dock for repairs to her bottom.

A negro man stole 500 cigarettes from J. Privott yesterday and made off with them.

A horse ran away in the navy-yard yesterday and smashed up things generally.

Some workmen were engaged yesterday at work on a house near the old baseball park. It was so warm that they pulled off their pants and put on overalls and hung the pants up. In their pockets were a watch and some money. Some one came along and stole them.

The regular weekly pigeon shoot will take place at Columbia Park to-morrow.

A member of the fire department will be married on Wednesday next.

## BRYANT SURRENDERS.

He is Charged With the Killing of Gatekeeper Minton—Says He Doesn't Recollect Firing Fatal Shot.

Matthew Bryant, of Lotts, N. C., the young man accused of the killing of Gatekeeper Wm. Minton at the Union bridge crossing three weeks ago, arrived in Portsmouth yesterday morning and surrendered himself to the police. Bryant was accompanied by Mr. Murray Picot, who busied himself in finding counsel for Bryant. Captain J. W. Harper was retained.

Bryant says he is 21 years old, but looks younger, and is rather small of stature. He told the reporters that when he looked at his pistol the day after he returned from Portsmouth there was an empty chamber. He had no recollection of firing the weapon and did not learn of Minton's condition until a week after the shooting occurred. Bryant says he was too drunk when he left Portsmouth to remember anything.

On Wednesday, July 26th, Chief Detective Agent B. F. Brubaker, of the Seaboard Air Line, accompanied by Police Officer Broughton, went to Lotts to arrest Bryant, but were unsuccessful. The officers were taken in hand by a man named Britt, who agreed to lead them to Bryant's house, which he did by a round about path. Unknown to Brubaker and Broughton, Britt sent a messenger by a nearer way, warning Bryant to skip to the woods—advice which he promptly acted upon. He had not been gone a quarter of an hour when Britt and the two officers reached the house. Bryant returned home after an absence of a night and a day, and says he made up his mind to give himself up, though several of his neighbors advised him against it, and told him it would be easy to elude the authorities.

Bryant said this morning that while he could not deny having shot Mr. Minton, not knowing whether he had or not, and, in fact, having no recollection of the circumstances, he did not feel like a man who had committed a crime, and held to his determination to surrender himself in spite of the advice of his closest friends. He informed Constable Coggins, of Milwaukee, N. C., who was working on the case, that he was ready to give himself up, and Coggins telegraphed here yesterday for a pass for Bryant to come to Portsmouth. Bryant did not wait for the pass to be issued.

Special Agent Brubaker says that he has a witness who saw Bryant fire the fatal shot and saw Mr. Minton fall as the excursion train sped past the crossing. Mr. Brubaker promises to have a number of witnesses here at the preliminary examination, which may be called any time within the next ten days.

Mayor Baird agreed to admit Bryant to bail in the sum of \$100, and he was committed to jail pending the arrival of some of his friends from North Carolina this morning.

MEETING OF COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD.

The Norfolk County School Board met yesterday and received the following report from the census enumerators:

Western Branch—White, 2,229; colored, 4,735. Total, 6,964.

Washington District—White, 2,047; colored, 2,182.

Pleasant Grove—White, 515; colored, 767.

Butt's Road—White, 255; colored, 520.

Deep Creek—White, 280; colored, 531.

Tanner's Creek—White, 4,000 in all. There is a large increase over the last census taken. The greatest increase was in Western Branch, it being 2,000. Tanner's Creek had 1,300 and Washington 1,129 increase.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

City—May L. Oast and husband to L. B. Plummer and others, lot and appurtenances on south side of North street, between Middle and Court streets, known as Menement No. 3 of the Mason House, \$5,500.

Harry H. Denning to N. E. Denning, lot on Pearl street, near North street, Park View; also house on adjoining lot, \$1,500.

County—The Aetna Company to Anna Owen, lots 46 and 47, company's plat, \$100.

S. E. Anderson to James Southall, lots Nos. 103, 105, 107 Main street, and Nos. 10, 106 and 107 York street, Norfolk county, \$50.

SHOEMAKER PREACHED AND WAS ARRESTED.

Wm. Moore, a colored shoemaker, stood in the doorway of his shop in County street yesterday morning brandishing a shoe knife as he harangued a crowd which collected in such numbers as to block the street. Moore said he had a message for all sinners, but his deliverance of it was too incoherent to be understood. As the man was clearly of unbalanced mind he was taken into custody.

ELECTION OF TEACHERS.

The following teachers have been elected for Butt's Road township for the term of six months:

White—Miss Sallie Whitehead, Miss Ella V. Yarrell, Miss Allen Haring, Miss Minnie Moore, Miss Mary E. Flemming, Miss Ella V. Bidgood, Miss Eugenia Powers.

Colored—May O. Wright, Victoria Parsons, B. F. Parsons, George E. Corprew.

SPOON THIEF GOT SIX MONTHS.

James Knight, colored, arrested some days ago for a robbery committed at the residence of Mr. C. H. Sturtevant, on Second street, was tried in Police Court yesterday morning and given a six months' term in the city jail. The thing which led to Knight's detection was his offering for sale a lot of silver spoons which were among the valuables stolen from the Sturtevants.

FUNERAL OF MR. MURPHY.

The funeral of Mr. Patrick Murphy took place yesterday afternoon from the residence of Mrs. Kenny, No. 206 First street. The services were conducted by Rev. T. J. Brady, after which the remains were interred in St. Mary's Cemetery, Norfolk.

Call Early and Get Your Choice.

We are preparing plans for several neat homes in Park View. If you want a home call and make your arrangements now before all our choice lots have been disposed of. A small cash payment and the balance on very reasonable terms. Under our new plan—the best in the world—if a purchaser dies before finishing his payments on the home his wife and children get it without paying another dollar, even though he may only have made the first payment. That should be a great comfort to every thoughtful man. If you make your arrangements with us we protect your interests every time in every legitimate way. THE SEABOARD REAL ESTATE COMPANY, 214 High street.

## KING'S DAUGHTERS HOSPITAL

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF THE KING'S DAUGHTERS FOR JULY, 1900.

Number of patients admitted to hospital ..... 3  
Number of patients dismissed ..... 4  
Present number of patients ..... 1  
During the month the hospital has been fitted with wire screens through the kindness of the following merchants:

W. F. Richardson, three windows.  
J. S. Crawford, six windows.  
J. R. Neely & Co., six windows.  
Thos. Scott Sons & Co., three windows and two doors.

Phillips & Mahoney, three doors.  
Other donations received: Mrs. J. W. S. Butts, child's go-cart; Mr. S. P. Oast, load of wood.

Hereafter visitors will be admitted to the hospital on Wednesdays, Fridays and Sundays, from 11 a. m. to 1 p. m. and from 3 p. m. to 5 p. m.

LORETO M. TOOMER, Secretary Pro Tem.

Report of the King's Daughters' Hospital for the month of July, 1900:

To balance ..... \$176 07  
To amount collected from regular subscribers ..... 27 90  
To amount received from board ..... 5 00

By amount paid out for expenses for July ..... \$ 90 65  
Balance ..... \$113 32

NANCY FORBES OWEN, Treasurer.

THE NURSE FUND.

To balance ..... \$110 25  
To amount received from City Council for July ..... 10 00  
To amount received from Miss Barlow's committee ..... 1 90

By amount paid out for July ..... \$ 5 10  
Balance ..... 117 05

LORETO M. TOOMER, Treasurer.

REPORT OF TRINITY CIRCLE.

To balance on hand ..... \$ 46 79  
Amount collected ..... 2 50

By amount paid out for July for charity ..... \$ 49 29  
Balance ..... 27 70

NANCY L. P. BUTT, Treasurer.

EXAMINATION FOR MAGAZINE ATTENDANT.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that the examination scheduled to be held on August 4 for magazine attendant in the Navy Department Service will be held on August 28 in any city in the United States where it has a local board of examiners.

The examination will consist of the subjects mentioned below, which will be weighed as follows:

1. Spelling (third grade) ..... 6  
2. Arithmetic (third grade) ..... 6  
3. Letter writing (third grade) ..... 6  
4. Penmanship ..... 6  
5. Copying from plain copy (third grade) ..... 6  
6. Practical questions ..... 20  
7. Age ..... 10  
8. Experience ..... 30  
9. Physical qualifications ..... 10

Total ..... 100

Special credit will be given for experience to those who have served in the Navy or Marine Corps, or who have been employed in powder factories.

Age limit, 20 years or over.

This examination is held to select eligible registrars from which selection may be made to fill the position of magazine attendant at the following named places: Mare Island, Cal.; Pensacola, Fla.; Norfolk, Va.; (St. Julien's Creek, St. Helena, and Fort Norfolk); Indian Island, Md.; League Island, Pa.; (Fort Mifflin, New York, N. Y.; (Lake Denmark, Fort Lafayette, Iona Island and Ordnance Dock); Torpedo Station Newport, R. I.; Navy Yard, Boston (Chelsea); Portsmouth, N. H.; Washington Navy Yard, (Bellevue).

Persons who desire to compete should at once apply to the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C., for application forms 304 and 1,003, which should be properly executed and promptly filed with the Commission.

H. G. WILLIAMS HERE.

Declined to Talk About the Reported Sale of Portsmouth Street Railway.

Mr. Horace G. Williams, president of the Portsmouth street railway, arrived in the city yesterday morning. Mr. Williams was seen in regard to the reported sale of his road to the Lancaster Williams syndicate. He was in his usual genial humor and talked freely on any subject except the one on which the reporters were trying to approach him, and in that he was unresponsive.

He said he didn't know half as much about the sale as the newspapers. He said his business here was to inaugurate the building of the Gilmerton extension of his road, which might begin to-day. This line is to be six and eight-tenths miles long and it will run from Green street extended through the Schmoede tract to Gilmerton. There are four creeks to cross and Mr. Williams said there would be about 3,300 feet of trestle work.

Mr. V. O. Cassell, of this city, will be the engineer in charge.

NAVAL ORDERS.

The following naval orders have been issued:

Lieut. Com. J. P. S. Lawrence, detached from the Massachusetts and ordered home to await orders.

Lieut. C. W. Dyson, detached from the Machias, when out of commission, and ordered to duty on the Massachusetts.

Lieut. S. Arnold, detached from inspection duty at Portland, Or., and ordered to duty at Puget Sound naval station, Bremerton, Wash.

COST OF COUNTY SCHOOLS.

The Norfolk County School Board was in session yesterday at the Court house. Almost the only business done was auditing the accounts of the various school districts. The total amount expended for school purposes in Norfolk county was \$63,113.24, of which amount \$33,822.38 was for teachers' salaries. District expenses, repairs, etc., cost \$29,290.86.

Y. M. C. A. MOONLIGHT.

The next Y. M. C. A. moonlight excursion will be conducted next Friday evening, August the 10th. The last excursion was a decided success, and many who went then are planning to patronize this event. The steamer Pocahontas has been secured. A full moon and a good musical program will insure a pleasant evening.

FOR RENT—A LARGE FRONT room, with privilege of bath. Prefer to rent unfurnished. Apply No. 413 COUNTY ST.

FOR RENT—A LARGE, AIRY FRONT room, 413 CLIFFORD ST. au7-3t

FOR RENT—THAT DESIRABLE residence, No. 400 Middle street. Eight rooms and all conveniences. E. L. LASH, 711 Middle street. au7-3t

DESIRABLE INVESTMENT PROPERTY AT AUCTION.

I will sell for cash to the highest bidder, at public auction, before the Court house of Portsmouth, at 12 o'clock M., SATURDAY, August 11th, 1900, that Double Brick House numbered 316 and 318 Columbia street, between Court and Middle streets, containing eight rooms. Lot fronts 41 feet with a depth of 56½ feet, more or less. Rents well.

JOHN C. NIEMEYER, Auctioneer. au7-5t

FOR RENT!

The store now occupied by the NEW YORK CLOTHING COMPANY, No. 214 High street, who will remove their store, after extensive alterations, to the building corner High and Crawford streets. The store now occupied by the New York Clothing Company is one of the finest, largest and lightest stores and in the best locality in the city of Portsmouth. Apply at the

au2-1m NEW YORK CLOTHING CO.

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Nice homes for sale in the city and suburbs. An elegant house on Dinwiddie street cheap. Choice lots in all the suburbs. Some good property for investors. Boats, Barges and Lighters.

ROOM 219 COMMERCIAL BLDG. Both Phones.

Notice to Housekeepers.

Everybody wants the best for their money. Have the best dry sheltered Wood in the city. New Pine Wood and dry, well seasoned fresh water Slab Wood never in stock water.

Old Phone, 218. New Phone, 1518.

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FOR RENT.

No. 406 Dinwiddie street, 7 rooms and 2-story kitchen, bath, sewerage, etc. Rent, \$240 per annum. Immediate possession.

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First-Class Groceries!

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For medicinal purposes, made this year, warranted genuine. Sold at 15c. half pint or 30c. pint, at

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English Sausage Tomato Sauce, 12c.; Potted Chicken, 10c.; Potted Turkey, 10c.; Vienna Sausage, 10c.; Veal Loaf, 12c. and 3c.; Cottage Loaf, 12c.; Veal Cutlets, 12c.; Mushroom and Wine Sauce, 6c.; Chicken a la Marengo, Wine Sauce, 5c.; Boned Turkey, 20c.; Boned Chicken, 30c.; Star Brand Sliced Beef, 25c.; Chopped Dried Beef, 25c. We also have a fine line of Sardines, Salmon and other delicacies, which we will be pleased to show you.

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Forty-two Men's Suits,

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MEN'S FLANNEL COATS AND PANTS, extra

quality and worth from \$10 to \$12, they go at . . . . . \$7.48

You can now secure some good values in our CLOTHING, FURNISHINGS and HAT DEPARTMENTS.

New York Clothing Company,

CLOTHIERS, FURNISHERS AND HATTERS.

214 HIGH STREET

PORTSMOUTH VA.

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I will dispose of the ENTIRE STOCK OF HATS, MEN'S FURNISHINGS, FIXTURES, Cash Register, and all other goods contained in store 208 High Street, formerly occupied by Chas. R. Welton & Co., WITHIN THE NEXT THIRTY DAYS.

THE ENTIRE STOCK MUST BE SOLD REGARDLESS OF COST, it being necessary to close the business by Sept. 1st.

HARRY A. BRINKLEY, Trustee.

All accounts due this firm must be paid by August 30th.

Big Clothing Bargains!

\$5.85

Men's Sack Suits—every fabric of quality and style represented—Worsted, Cashmere and Cheviots—superior workmanship, size 33 to 38, regular price \$8 to \$12.50.

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Everything for Men, Top to Toe. 213-215 HIGH STREET

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Complete line of Ladies' and Children's Hosiery.

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Fancy Goods, Books, Bibles, Etc., to make room for Fall stock. Picture frames made to order at short notice.